

Questions & Answers to RFP USDC-DC-0002-06

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The Clerk's Trustee Fund of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia (USDC-DC) prepared the following answers to questions submitted from vendors on RFP USDC-DC-0002-06 for the design, configuration, and installation of a WiFi network.

Please Note: The proposed due date for proposal submission has not changed. Proposals in response to this solicitation are due by 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) April 7, 2006 at the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, Attn: Nancy Mayer-Whittington, Custodian of the Clerk's Trustee Fund, Room 1824, E. Barrett Prettyman Courthouse, 333 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001.

Section B, p.3, F.1, p. 12, CLIN 0003 - Should we bid the maintenance option based on three one-year terms?

Answer: Yes.

Section C.2.2, p.5 - Define the term "reasonable response time" used in the RFP.

Answer: If there is network congestion, the Wi-Fi infrastructure should not be a cause or a factor of it.

Section C.2, P.4 Q&A - Please confirm that no more than a total of 145 users will access the WiFi system simultaneously in the initial implementation (though the system will be scalable).

Answer: Yes.

Section C.2., p.8 Q&A - Can we assume both "students" will be available for training at the same time, or should multiple training sessions be proposed?

Answer: Both options should be made available.

Section C.3.2, p.8 - Can we assume that a bill of materials (BOM) in the Installation Plan will satisfy the need to "identify any parts and consumables?"

Answer: Yes.

Site Survey - Please identify the contents of the conduit marked by differing color tape schemes in the parking garage? Does conduit marked by Blue and Green tape contain power, and conduit marked by Green and Yellow tape contain network and telco?

Answer: Yes.

Site Survey - Does the building contain any asbestos or other hazardous materials that a contractor could possibly come into contact with during the installation of the WiFi network?

Answer: Possibly, but unlikely.

Site Survey - Please confirm whether orange/red AC power wall receptacles are connected to conditioned facility power?

Answer: Yes.

Site Survey - Are these outlets also on a back-up system?

Answer: Yes, depending on the type of failure.

Site Survey - If so, what is the reliability rating of that back-up system?

Answer: Information is not available.

Site Survey - Is it a requirement for the WiFi network to have uninterruptible power?

Answer: No.

Q&A, Site Survey - If it is on the National Register or otherwise subject to building restrictions, please provide a list or source of restrictions/constraints related to installations within the Main Courthouse building?

Answer: See RFP.